# M'HAMARD, CHIEF & WORLD FAMOUS PARIS SECRET SERVICE



ORPS of Government Detectives - How Sleuths Work-Can Question 10,000 Janitors in a Single Inquiry -Hundreds of Police Who Mingle With Criminals in All Sorts of Disguises-The Flying Brigade and a New Kind of Rogues' Gallery.

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He is the chief of the government anxious to learn what they want him for. detectives for Paris and surrounding "You are selling stolen property," be-In a vast building, aided by a gan Mr. Hamard harshly. perfect anthropomertic service and in-quisitorial judges d'instruction, he directs 400 real sleuths ranking as in- said. spectors, brigadiers and principal in-

These do not include the company of publisher for an advance pirate edition?" woman sleuths, concerning whom no facts are divulged; nor the surete-

I got the idea that M. Hamard has a vaster affiliated army lurking in cases "Are you sure that other American no comment—only that it shows the minute reached me." and other public places, from the papers have no more?" he asked; and organization of a Richelieu still alive. "Chantecler" imbroglio. Guinchard, the I saw no harm in telling him that they Rohemian, had procured me the scen- had none at all-as the event proved. ario and one hundred lines for simul- Certainly, they only feared America. neous publication with certain Euro- Better not send more thon fifteen the ultra-modern band who disguised ways give names. These notable Ameri- stead, we took away the robbers in it, heater management was boasting that was free. not a line could leak out. We kept it very secret

elegant young gentleman came up to me and whispered that "M. Hamard would be obliged for some informa-

That elegant party turned out to be Brigadier Daurimont, a sleuth of great on prominent Americans of Paris. By the time we arrived I saw he was

Twenty men could walk abreast up hese barraeklike stairs, three flights, with glimpses of blank corridors lined with closed doors. Into one popped a very stylish young lady: from another emerged a red-nosed tramp. "What are those rooms"? I asked. rooms," the brigadier answered politely. Now I know that they are full of mysteries, tricks, disguises and sleeping rooms for informers to lie hidden and detectives to snatch repose.

Silence, and a prison smell of disinfectants. M. Hamard's office is an immense They room, five windows on one side, without trophies or clerks. The great man had quit his lunch-at the call of a greater, greatest detective "the minister." "I had two sardines and a bite of bread!" he said, with ominous Who is M. Ham- good humor, and began my civil status. It is routine, but also a trick. The ard? Every one simple formula, with the confidential brighas heard of him, adier writing slowly-"Name? when born? but few know the where? profession? father's name? domvast secret forces icile? profession? mother's maiden name? married or single? income? rent? how long in Paris?-rattles the victim, who is

That relieved me. I knew he must be

"Do you deny that you have bought a spectors—plus a flying brigade of 210 stolen copy of Rostand's 'Chantecler' before representation, to peddle to the papers of the world and an American

ministers' detectives I laughed, and the end came quickly. He does see what is in one. Before I He is Hamard, a great, gray, ruddy had said another word he was smiling me data about your detectives?" man, with immense head, kindly face with relief at the report he would make He promised, and kept it. What I never voice. But do not trust those to minister and influential poet, and learned was how two sets of secret to complain when robbed." said M. Ham- clothes men to guard new Americans. In ways if you have anything to murmuring that he had been right and service spies—the minister's and Ham- ard, "yet they are in too much of a a week, twenty families, unknowingly, He can turn suddenly violent, "they" mistaken. Then I assured him doings. I think, however, that M. Ham- slick robbers counted on these American their servants, and every servant of beating down the prisoner's nerve by that M. Rostand was perfectly protected and has affiliated spies in public places, characteristics and had taken great twenty other American families was beating over him.

To aring over him. procured 100 advance lines for my own cafe, music hall, dance hall and promen- art objects from the Blank and Blank

"Thanks. Au revoir. If I

personally Yet at the Grand Cafe ope day an "Really?" I said. "Will you permit me stolen from honest servants, blue books, "Mere routine," he answered.



M. HAMARD. CHIEF OF THE PARIS SECRET SERVICE.

to photograph you some day? And give steamer sailings and tabulated clippings

So M. Hamard gave me my interview. He has just become popular with the rich Americans of Paris by breaking up one of their flats was found a countercan ever be agreeable to you, call on me detective service on newly arriving Americans, with bundles of references

from American papers.

In authentic interviews one cannot al- of exchanging a piece of furniture. Inhim how he broke the band up.

"Your millionaire Americans are slow brigade of 100 sleuths and 50 plainard's own-knew so much about my secret hurry to verify servants' references. The had each a secret service expert among "One clue was enough." said the great oir. As to the incident, itself, I make and Blank families before a complaint chief. "In another week we were in a plot to gag and tie the then honest servants when the illustrious Blanks would would take away the loot on the pretext that makes masks fall. He knew noth- newspaper publicity could persuade an un- the folks of that spot, no others. So by

> How interesting if I might name those | tion. prominent Americans and enlarge on down. their escape. Instead, I can only point "It's no use trying to retrieve the past," out the central principle of M. Hamard's he said. "You have recognized me. Yes, are apprentice detectives who, when not bloody clues.

He has a vast force, and powerful ed four years here, steady and good; but cate disorder He uses them systematically. Last April a lawyer was assassinated It was easy to verify. The anthropo- Hamard would say nothing in his Paris office by an unknown per- metric service is one of M. Hamard's son, who went on with some of the law- powerful arms. Perhaps Vincenzi con- gested ver's clothes. The only clue was a vest fessed to get a good note, convinced of the assassin, left by oversight. "At times I had forty men on that service on routine and be certainly disvest," said M. Hamard, "but for three covered. Every week Italian, German, -then shut up like a clam months there were four who specialized Austrian and Greek crooks boldly put up So, we found the factory that made a fictitious front and are astonished when the cloth-in north Italy; and the manu- M. Hamard calls them by name. facturer who made the buttons-in Lon-

It is that despised word-rou-

gree often rises in France to an art of man. So the head's width eliminates all

Sherlock Holmes was great at analysis. but he would have failed where M. Ha-

silk waist. This was the Paris sensation of Elisa Vandamme, pieces of whom ger prints. left Elisa at 2 a.m. at a corner in the "I began by widening a circle round the where the girl was last seen," said Hamard. "We questioned all the janitors in the ward without success." "All the janitors!" I repeated, astonished, because every Paris house has its janitor, called concierge.

"It took two months," said the "We questioned 10,000 janitors in 10,000 different houses of the tenth, eleventh, sixteenth and twentieth wards, asking each: "Did you hear a girl's cry for help on the night of Feb-

Finally the janitor opposite 4 Rue des Marais admitted hearing such a cry and a man's voice say: "No foolishness!" both coming from a fifth-floor window opposite. Now, the occupant of that room was a young Corsican, hard working, serious and neaceable. As he delivered goods with a tricycle a distinguished sleuth collided with hima pretext constanty used to examine sus pected men without exciting their sus-

But Vincenzi was suspicious, or else be at the races. A smart delivery van M. Hamard has something in his gaze ing against Vincenzi and suspected nothing-merely working on a routine indica-

it counts nothing!" that he would be "sent through" that

Truly, a new kind of rogues' gallery don. By these we found the tailor who exists in Europe. Identification by measfrom South America to Paris, where he cards" gires each force precious data. If an unknown has ever "passed had lived across the street from the sary to handle all the 240,000 cards. raphy does the rest. Human heads being "long," "medium" and "short," the clerks have to deal with only 80,000 cards 'for a "short"-headed eter all but 8,000, and so on to length of done swiftly, the experts merely avoiding division after division, following the They found a girl's head wrapped in a categories till they get to one card-or 'One card means "Thou art the man!" and centains photograph and fin-To return to Vincenzh they were accicontinue looking for Elisa's assessin.

> satisfied. Vincenzi's room must be minutely examined, however honestly he ploits. had been working. They found only a chel and Graby, who murdered the widow "It fits nothing," said Vincenzi, 'It was in the drawer when I came." that Elisa's number was 20-probably a general supposition that the unhappy

lord testified that he had filed the "XX's." lured to confession by what seemed rude sympathy suggested the terrible chief. And you would have notified the authoran escaped convict. So you cut her up and scattered her.

'Yes." confessed the bamboozled one. Here was a typical mystery cleared up Michel and Graby to justice. only by a great force. The-essence of it was! In every barracks around Paris as known janitor to offend his landlord by mere routine-there was a party in Melun giving their block a bad name. real sleuths. None of the 210 plain-clothes | And the rest was routine also; they ex

Christ does not want to live in a life

in that way. It must be all of Christ

or none. He wants to mold the life

and change it into His own image. That

cannot be done so long as self remains.

To those who accept Christ's death on the

takes its place, governing the life He loved and died for.

Applied Truth.

the sea there was a great cliff, upon

which was a natural stone face, carved

together the old man stood looking again

and suddenly as they looked at him and

then at the face, the whole village recog-

nized that this their fellow-villager was

a perfect image of the stone face.

been dead to the world, and my life is

hid with Christ in God. You cannot

Some Christians, rare ones, so let Christ

live in them that all who come in con-

Some one tells how a drop of water

falling on a very hot stove never really

touches the stove, but rests on a thin

heart temptation may come, but it can-

not touch us; for 'greater is he that is

HOW TO HELP THE LEADER.

that she might discover just when it was

that Christians began to be so different

PARALLEL PASSAGES.

in you than he that is in the world."

I am the escaped convict Ferdinand, otherwise called on, "keep the streets Send me back to Cayenne! I have work- clean" of beggars, bunko and more deli-Concerning the 400 real sleuths, M "The day of disguises is past?" I sur "On the contrary, I have 100 men whose

daylight make-up is so perfect that they change the color of their eyes," he began

As to flager prints, they have got them to a point where M. Hamard has extracut the vest to order for a senator of the urements as invented by M. Bertillon dited an unsuspected French murderer l'v-Argentine Republic, who gave it to his being adopted intact by most countries, ing free'r in London, by flager prints he valet, a young Belgian. Him we traced a continuous exchange of "catalogue left on a bottle in the Batingnolles. To through" an anthropometric his disguise with black powder that adheres to the is quickly penetrated. It is not neces- greasy invisible print; and enlarged photog-

> Take it from me that finger prints are so classified that they can be "eliminated almost as rapidly as measurements. Faci crook's measurement card contains five o but 24,000 cards, its bizygomatic diam- his finger prints, roughly falling into the great types of "e." right foot and left middle unger. It is all if you will amuse yourself counting their "permutations and combinations" in fives even without subtypes to make it last weeks-ceeel, eeele, eeeli, eieee, uilli, ouuuu, ouuuo and so on, you will balive that they can find a man's prints ong before you have finished.

Yet when an assassin is so discovered-Friends recognized the waist. They had dentally one escaped convict to the good. like Sheffer who killed Riebel-it conhead Wilson. To make it a reliable procedure, vast routine work had to precede. by way of collecting and cataloguing. So, system and routine are seen at bottom of M. Hamard's most brilliant ex-

Take the two young soldier-thugs, Miof the Bank of France Regent in a railway train near Paris. They threw her Hamard noticed that it had two body on the track; and the open sidefiled on its handle. He reflected door of the European system car made a confusedly stepped out to her death.

mere coincidence, but they went and Mme. Gouln had awaked from a nap and No one would have suspected young soldiers in any case Any French lady Vincenzi was first terrified, then would have looked on young soldiers as a protection. Only one man in Melun barracks had his eyes open on young soldiers in this matter-and he by mere routine. Were I writing for Paris, I would not reveal this. For a secret service to be effective, it must remain secret. M. Hamities, only you feared to be recognized as ard did not tell me this. All the same, he renounced glory when he allowed young Portheaut-"assistant chef in a Paris club by trade"- to have the credit of bringing done; and there was no clue. Not even ice has its affiliated man, keeping eye on

barracks who asked himself, not: "Who men of the flying brigade were used. They amined every soldier's kit, and found the

By the Churchman.

ERSONS in the thick of life's activities, prosperous and Overlooked." They do not come readily to mind when you are election, or when cataloguing the "prominent and influential" citi-

Others of the overlooked are in hospitals and sickrooms. "What!" we busy people say. "Jones just up from an operation? Why. I hadn't realized that he was sick." But to him the sickening smell of ether, the sharp, continuing pain, the almost unendurable weakness, have been terrible realities for the last three weeks. Maybe it isn't our fault that we have not missed him from the office, the club. the church. But then again, maybe it is. At any rate, if you have ever yourself been prostrated by illness you know what that little bunch of flowers meant to you and that little note. The invalids and the shut-ins are always with us, and whensoever we will we may do them good, provided we have not forgotten their existence. and provided we do not postpone too long the carrying out of our

and did his best to make it pleasant for her.

are human gems among them, and to become acquainted with them search on earth was for the overlooked.

# In Behalf of the Overlooked.

happy, who seldom venture out of a certain beaten track, who have already formed their circle of friends, are in danger of forgetting that large but silent class in the community, who may be classified under the caption of "The making out your list of dinner guests or your slate for the coming

But they are with us, nevertheless, and though they seldom speak loudly in behalf of themselves they constitute a very appreciable element of the population. Their heads may be white and their figures no longer erect. Perhaps they are in those institutions known as "Aged People's Homes." thinking longingly of the days when they had homes of their own, but trying to endure patiently their loss of independence and enforced reliance upon the bounty of others. And some of these dear old people are in our own homes. but not always the objects of that deference and consideration which we should like were we in their places. It is hard enough at best to grow very old and feeble, but still harder when, to increasing physical infirmities, is added the pain which arises from being neglected or simply tolerated.

But sick people and aged people do not exhaust the number of "The Overlooked." I am thinking, also, of the multitude of persons who have seen better days and who, because of their reverses. have ceased to frequent the places where they were once welcome and influential, and of the men at the end of the procession who never amounted to much, and of the colorless, mediocre, growing boys and girls who gravitate not to the center of the ballroom, but to its circumference, where they fulfill more or less indifferently well the function of wall flowers. A college mate of mine-God bless him for his chivalry!-a brilliant fellow, too, always used to work out at the parties and other social gatherings that type of girl

Yes, the overlooked are sufficiently in evidence, provided we turn our gaze where they are. Make a list of the persons in your street or in your vicinity who might properly be thus classified. Some of them, it is true, may be unduly proud and sensitive, some very unlovely, some altogether to blame for being set one side. But there may prove an inspiration. At all events, if we select one or two as the objects of loving and persistent ministry we shall make ourselves more worthy to be called disciples of Him whose main

### in charge of Edward L. Brown of St. MIDSUMMER MEETING.

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The midsummer meeting of the Brother-Church, Hyettsville,

Monday evening at which a goodly number of the members of the organization were in attendance. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Robert Talbot, rector of St. Paul's Church, and J. Holds. worth Gordon of Christ Church Chapter, Georgetown. Refreshments were served

of the Hyattsville parish. Colonial Beach.

Paul's Chapter, and will tomorrow morn- ing thrilled. What wonder if the touch ing be conducted by William B. Everett, of God transfigures us. If it would the brush found on the mountain, he jr., of Ascension Chapter.

Convention.

Efforts are under way looking toward nation. During the earthly life of our consolidating the delegations from New Lord the divine glory of which He was hood of St. Andrew Assembly was held Washington to National Brotherhood con- assumed. But the time had now come England, New York, Philadelphia and possessed was in eclipse. It was veiled vention, which is to meet in Nashville. when His disciples needed to behold that travel from Washington in a special train forth. to the convention city.

Member Leaves Washington.

William Jessop, who for the past four years has filled the position of secretary of the central branch of the Young Men's native glory and learn the lesson that I overshadowed them. It was one more of the devils. "What question ye with at the close of the meeting by the ladies Christian Association, will leave during feign would teach. See me as I am and mystery to awe and terrify them. "They them?" was His demand. The answer next week to become general secretary be prepared for the coming trials." This feared as they entered into the cloud, was a tacit charge against the disciples. of the Y. M. C. A. at Calcutta, India. During Mr. Jessop's residence i. Wash-The service held at Colonial Beach, Va., legan be has been an active member of the appearance of Moses and Elias in Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye no fear, no haste. He gave time for the under the auspices of the Washington the Brotherhood Chapter of St. Paul's glory and their conversation with Him." That is the utterance that is demon to give an exhibition of his power, world. Never was this faith more need-brotherhood chapters was last Sunday tarish.

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Ephesians, 3:17: John, 13:1; have been printed for distribution among the faith of the ed than today.

Ephesians, 5:2; John, 15:1.

# Sunday

School - Lesson - for - Tomorrow Written for The Star by Rev. Dr. Joseph Edmund Smith Secretary of the American Society of Religious Education



Matthew 17:1-8, 14-20. understood than is that of the transfiguration. Usually it is quite unrelated to all that precedes or self. Doubtless all heaven was interested, was an experience, blessed, thrilling, great central truth towering like the But why did they come? Was it as stu- we are told that then they saw Jesus mountain peaks above the plains, sending dents of the mysteries of the gospel? We only. But they did see Jesus. And this its heavenly rays to the far-off horizon. do not know. But of one thing we are is another fact in the reports of Gospel It is a golden clasp that binds the mys-

The Transfiguration.

Six days had passed since Jesus had strated to the disciples and to all coming said, "I will never leave you; I will never announced the necessity of His death. They must have been on the part of the and yet they were the same. The disdisciples days of bewilderment and gloom. ciples had never seen them, yet they Something more than words was necessary to dissipate the darkness that had settled upon them. They needed an object lesson that would at once satisfy and salem. The thought of heaven was needful. They are to the spirit what

As witnesses of this glory Jesus chose trio while they spake of Calvary? Well. Peter, James and John. These were the may we not catch some of its strains? that else had been too great for us. But three who were with Christ in the most There have been times when it has wonderful and thrilling hours of His in- seemed to be far from impossible. One carnation. In the raising of Jairus' thing is clear. It was not on its pain brief. Our life work, like His, will be in daughter, in the agony of Gethsemane, or shame that they most dwelt, but on and on the mount of transfiguration. This choice was not the result of favoritism, Did they begin at Jerusalem and trace and shame. In the parable of the leaven but of necessity. They were best fitted to the spread of the gospel through the Jesus had shown that the church is in-

rebuke of the Master had, we may hope. within the inner circle. And now he is one of the trio which with their Lord wend their way to the summit of Hermon. There is something sublime and thrilling in the solitude of the mountains. Nowhere on earth, as it seems to me, does man feel so insignificant, and yet so near to God.

As they stood upon those heights there lay before them a panorama of wondrous beauty. Far off were the quiet waters of Galilee. To the right was the blue Mediterranean, and before them were the cities, Capernaum, Chorajin and Bethsaida that had witnessed His wondrous works, and had listened to His invitations of mercy. But the thoughts of sponsibilities. For them, and for us all, for the church to the last hour of time, the transfiguration occurred.

### What Was It?

Luke says: "And as He prayed, the When Moses was on the mount with of a far less exalted place: God his face caught so much of the divine glory that the people were not able to look upon it. Contact with God is like a contagion. We cannot touch even an electric wire without bebe so with man, how much more with would detain the heavenly visitants.

the Son of God. But what was it, this wondrous glory, To me this incident has but one explawas the first lesson. concerning His approaching death. Moses needed through the ages. The world and He took means to bring the faith of the ed than today.

in of the heavenly with the earthly. The pathway."

with the church below. ages the fact and the glory of the future | forsake you." life. How changed were those visitants, knew them. What a revelation this is! But the theme of that conversation: Luke says, 9:30, They spake of His decease that He should accomplish at Jerugive to have been within earshot of that the salvation that should be its outcome. one thing is clear. The impression must the death of Christ would not be the church. unmixed evil that they had imagined. This was doubtless its purpose. But

meaning of the cross.

how much of it could they grasp? Alas

for us, that we are all such dull scholars

Disciples During Transfiguration.

My willing soul would stay On such a frame as this And sit and sing herself away. To everlasting bliss. He would build tabernacles, booths of

Poor man, he knew not what he said.

Christ the Divine Teacher. by my miracles, but the miracles have of His authority. This was now given they will be able. Until then Jesus can and they fell on their faces." The second was a revelation of the Then came the announcement that they they could not cure him." How quietly

was the great lawgiver, and Elias was the church need to look to Him as the the representative of the prophets. Here infallible teacher. Through the ages, in were gathered in one group the various every condition of life, His word will be dispensations. It showed the sympathy a "lamp to our feet and a light to our all the gospel series that is less church above is still intimately connected with us. Lifting their eyes at the bidding of Jesus, the disciples saw no man but Calvary was already beginning to cast Jesus only. The vision had passed, the its shadow across the path of Christ. Its voice was silent; it was more than a regarded as an isolated fact reflection was resting upon the throne it- dream, it was more than a memory; it for we are told by Peter (1:12) that these never to be forgotten; and now that it assured. The coming tragedy of Calvary truths. In all conditions, under all cirwas the central theme of interest among cumstances, Jesus abides. The Christerious past to the still more mysterious the saints in heaven. They appeared in tian life knows no orphanage from Christ. their native glory. They thus demon- He, the Savior, Lawgiver, Comforter, has

In the Vale. The tarrying on the mountain is necessarily brief. The mountain visions are cheer them; such was the transfigura- centered upon Jerusalem and upon its mountain air is to the enfeebled frame, coming tragedy. What would we not and more. They inspire and encourage us to grapple successfully with difficulties the valley. Here are found the world's ages, as it crossed continents, over- tended to come in contact with the world, leaped oceans and spread at last in and with the world at its worst. It is Peter had been forgiven. The stinging triumph to the end of the world? Only personal contact by which the world is to be leavened. But here is a lesson that have been made upon the disciples that teaches the need of a living, Christly

### The Powerless Disciples.

in the school of Christ. The truth was too great for their feeble grasping. The tain nine of His disciples. But a little transfiguration must be followed by the ago He had sent the twelve out upon resurrection. Defeat must give place to victory before they could understand the their first missionary journey, and He had empowered them to heal the sick, to up again, new blinds took ...e place of eleanse the lepers, to cast out devils and the broken ones, stone steps replaced the constantly looking at Jesus and thinking to raise the dead. Their mission was successful. They had returned in triumph. rejoicing that the devils were subject The sides unto them. That power had not been Christ were upon His disciples, the in-Christ were upon His disciples, the in-fant church upon which in the near difficult. The disciples were weary. Iess before a lunatic, possessed of the down the desire to come such fearful re-They struggled against the desire to the desire t sleep, and they were rewarded by being to this time no case had proved too great witnesses of the transfiguration. The for them. It was the hour for which revised version says: "When they were the enemies of Christ had watched and fully awake, Peter, anxious to speak, but waited. In the absence of the Master not knowing what to say, conscious only they were sure of victory. The picture of an unearthly ecstasy, exclaimed: "Mas- is a sad one. The purpose of the church ter, it is good to be here." How true then and ever is to cast out devils. And it was. That was an hour that he would there is nothing more pitiable than a to Christ. Everything is changed. fashion of His countenance was alter- never forget. To behold this glory, to be machine that fails in the purpose for ed." What a revelation is this of both in contact with these glorified ones, to which it was built, a beat that will not the nature and the power of prayer, catch something of this conversation, who swim, an engine that will not draw, a would not wish to remain? Watts sang wire that will not carry the message. Such things are worse than useless, they are a the more marked will be the failure. Now the church is the greatest enteris God's remedy for the world's ills. It is His only remedy. If the church stands powerless before the wrong and sin of this world, the world is helpless. The the house. enemies of Christ triumph, and wickedness becomes flagrant and universal. occur in time of spiritual declension. As with the disciples at the foot of the There was one more lesson that they mountain the fault is theirs, no needed to learn. Jesus had taught them Christ's. Like the trolley that has lost father to the conquering point, and then truths that seemed hard to believe. He its connection, it is at once useless and a quietly wrought the cure. The tide was cushion of very hot air. "The heat over-Tenn., in September. It is planned to glory. The lesson that had been given had cut squarely across the grain of the church. He is never far away from of the church. He is never far away from the claim of Christ was vindicated. assemble the delegations in this city and them was too great for them. And so their beliefs and prejudices. Only a little His disciples. In the moment of their Jesus just let the obscured glory burst time ago, at Capernaum, it looked as if direct need He appears. The disciples are forth. "His face did shine as the sun, the entire body of the disciples would His disciples. They may not be sufficientand His raiment was white as the light." leave Him because of His teachings. ly advanced in the school of Christ to He was saying to them, "I am other (John, 6:66.) The twelve believed in Him, meet every obstacle and to silence every than I seem. I have manifested my glory but they needed to have divine attestation objector, but the time is coming when

"I rought Him to thy disciples, and

## Christian Endeavor Hour

By Grace Livingston Hill Lutz.

TOPIC: A LIFE LIVED WITH CHRIST. means a life lived alongside of Him, by their own selves, in which self is the

From the Expositor's Bible: "With Christ I have been crucified; and I live no longer; it is Christ that lives in me. My earthly life is governed by faith in Him who loved me and died for me."

GALATIANS, 2:20; I JOHN, 5:1-12.

How many nominal Christians can say that truthfully? Yet it is the only way for a Christian to

Looking daily at the lives of many Christians we are tempted to believe that decidedly somebody else besides Christ lives in them. "By their fruits shall ye know

FINE old house had been in- by nature. The people of the village habited for years by a slipshod told a legend that one day there would ficers of the District Union and the first family who had let everything come a great benefactor whose features at which President Gates will preside run down. The paint was worn would resemble the stone face. Every- He has asked each society to advise him from the casements, the blinds body who came to the village was eagerly will take the trip. were off the hinges or hanging by scanned by the villagers, but still the one, the steps were rotting away, the stranger did not appear. A little boy vines had run riot and poison ivy was daily he watched the great stone face. the front plazzas undisturbed and Sun- years went by and he had become an attendance all week at the Christian days the house was filled with riotous old man, and still no stranger had come visitors who played cards, sang, drank to fulfill the propnecy. One day when and caroused ail day long, until the the people of the village were gathered

turned. The scribes were silenced, and

### Secret of Power.

When they were alone the puzzled disciples inquired why they could not cast out the demon. The reply of Jesus re- of the young Jewess who asked a Chris- to select them has been appointed by yeals the secret of power. The answer is tian woman to help her to read history for all time. It is faith, but faith to be masterful must be vital, it must grow from Christ, as the mustard seed then it will be resistless. This is the faith that moves mountains, it casts out devils, it puts Romans, 6:2. 6; Deuteronomy, 8:3; Phi-skepticism to shame, it regenerates the lippians, 1:21; Galatians, 5:24; John, 14:20; trict Union for the year ended June

principal one, and Christ is allowed to stay there, too. If the house gets too small for both for a time, when self invites in anger and jealousy and hatred. and selfishness for a little while, or some other kindred spirits, then Christ is put out for the time; and then self is deeply injured that Christ does not come bac again gladly when the guests have left for a while.

But at last the owner died and the at the stone face, and wondering about it. house was sold. The new owner decided to live in it himself and soon a company of workmen was hard at work cleaning the house and repairing it. The grimy casements were painted. The stonework that had crumbled in places was built rotten wooden ones, the trees and vines were trimmed, the hedges clipped, the iawn mowed, the poison ivy rooted up, the chickens banished to the chicken yard, a martyr was brought before his king and one day the new tenant moved in. And now everything was changed. The fused. "I will banish you if you don't." the week. That power had been withdrawn. Up ed about the door. Visitors of another sort went and came, and the neighbors were forsake me. glad to be near so beautiful a home. The | "I will confiscate your property," said Sabbaths were peaceful, happy days, and high whom when the king. "My treasures are laid up on data Prosphytorian land and Riverthe only sound that came from the old high where you cannot get them." rehouse was the music of nymns as the plied the man. "I will kill you," said First and Rhode Island Avenue Methlittle children sang with their mother. It is so with a life that has been given "I have been dead forty years; I have Emptied and purified of the old tenant, self, it becomes the beautiful abode of touch it. Jesus, who has purchased it with His

tact with them cannot fail to take knowl-Henceforth self no longer lives that life. nuisance. And the greater the purpose, Jesus lives it. The result is obvious to edge of them that they have been with Jesus. Such was a missionary in India. all beholders. A new life, with everything changed, is lived there now. No who, though so feeble mentally that he prise that was ever launched in time. It bad habits, no poisonous thoughts or could not learn the language, yet was words or actions. All things are in har- such an exemplification of the love of mony with Christ's law for it is Christ Jesus that when heathen were asked give a lawn fete on the church grounds who is living there now, and He owns A great many people make a big mistake about being Christians. They seem These seasons of powerlessness always to think that a life lived with Christ was never able to preach to them in any other way than by his life.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Excursion Planned to Forest Glen, Md., on the Evening of August 1-Other

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Excursion. The excursion of Christian Endeavor

societies of the District to Forest Glen Monday, August 1, is attracting general interest and promises to be a very popular event. Special open cars will carry the crowd; the start from the city being cross, self becomes crucified and Christ made at 5:15 o'clock. Arrangements have been made for the singing of popular ongs under the direction of competent leaders on all the cars. Supper will be Seminary, and at 8 o'clock the August meeting of the union will be held in the

early next week as to the number who

chapel of that institution. This will be

the first meeting planned by the new of

First Methodist Protestant. Rev. W. A. Melvin and wife of First Methodist Protestant Church were in

At Pen Mar. Union attending this week the sessions of the Maryland Christian Endeavor Phrough looking at it and thinking about Gates, Vice President Davis, Assistant Secretary Miss Raymond and the folratt. Nearly all of these officers have,

from which Endeavorers went are the king in anger. "Why," said the man, Ninth Street Christian and St. Paul's

and Luther Place Lutheran. Dr. S. H. Woodrow and Rev. L. C. Douglas of Washington made important addresses Tuesday and Thursday, their themes being "Fellowship" and "Love as Applied to Service," respectively.

### Eastern Presbyterian.

Eastern Presbyterian Endeavorers will "What is it to be a Christian?" one re- shortly. The vice president, Miss Lean plied: "It is to be like Mr. —," naming Elwood, and the chairman of the social of heathen mourned his death, though he committee, Miss Lucy English, have

### Chevy Chase Baptist.

The "Flying Wedge" of the Christian

charge of the arrangements.

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### it he had grown into the image and fulfillment of the prophecy. So through image and be changed into His likeness Moody tells how in the second century son, had some part in the program of and asked to give up Christ, but he re-

comes the law of gravity and holds the Endeavor Union will visit tomorrow the

water away till it evaporates. So when Society of the Chevy Chase Baptist

Tell the story told by Dr. Hugh Black have new hymn books and a committee